BANKEUPP CITIES. Before the war Columbia, South Carofina, was one of the wealthlest, most properties and thriving cities in the adopting the three-foot gauge for that sense of decency to induce them to refrain from obtruding themselves into dobt. But we see from the Charleston | ed and equipped if this plan is carried | that a fitting rebuke should be adminis-Courier and News that the property of out." the city is advertised to be sold by the sheriff to satisfy judgments obtained against it by the Carolina national bank. The city waterworks, four scree, and ten'other acres, are in this unfortit is learned, also, that there is not a dollar in the city tressury, although there are fifty thousand dollars arrears of taxes due. Of tax-payers who are in arrears some can't pay and others won't. Many have lost all confidence in the proper use of the city funds by the city government. Thus things tend from had to worse. Next year, if this sort of management goes on, the city government will come to a halt and be wound up. Impecunious as they now are, expenses go on all the same. No diminution of salaries, either as to their number or their amounts, to suit the times and the straitened circumstances of the city, has been ordered. so as to escape the heat of the day while but a very few "honest Republicans' Improvidence, extravagance and inca- being transported. They net, as we are in Mississippi. pacity will work their necessary effects.
It is only a question of time when the whole thing will go down. This is a sad illustration of the crushing effect of the the Kentucky line, where fruit might | boll quite as large and promising as that corruption which pervades the whole be successfully grown. The hills between exactly a week ago. We admit this, be-State of South Carolina. On all sides the tax-payers are plundered, and the Milan and M'Kenzie and between M'- Kenzie and between M'- flower bouquet which the generous proprietors of the Memphis Appear have whole State will soon fall a prey to the growing, and in the course of time will be promised to the country editor who rapacity of the plunderers. New Or- covered with orchards of the finest fruit | could resist the temptation to inform leans is in the same condition. There of every variety. West Tennessee is during the week he had received the taxation amounts to confiscation. Mem- now so near the great centers of popula- first cotton boll which had formed in phis is rapidly drifting into the mael- tion by rail-Cincinnati, Chicago and the county; otherwise we should have strom which is about to engulf New Or. St. Louis-that we can never grow so acknowledged this boll as the first and leans and Columbia. But there is one much early fruit that it will not comfavorable sign. An effort has been made | mand a fine price in those markets. to bring the taxpayers face to face on the | There is no danger of the business being grave question of our city indebtedness. overdone, or of the market being over-Something may be accomplished by a stocked. If the north supplies us with persistent agitation of the vital necessity | winter apples and potatoes, let us supply of economy and retrenchment, and to them with summer peaches, pears, chermake invalid all fraudulent and Illegal ries, apples, melons, and smaller fruits bonds. The APPEAL is largely and berries. The time will come when patronized by the tax-payers of the fruit crop of Tennessee will bring Memphis, and it will most cordilaly more money into the State than the unite with them in discussing ways and | cotton crop, and then our days of prosmeans by which to save the city perity will be at hand. We invite the from ruin and the tax-payers from intol- fruit growers from the north and east erable burdens. This is the duty of sil to come among us and turn our hills into good citizens. Let us compare notes orchards and vineyards, for pleasure and DAILY and see if our debt is not too large for for profit. our income. The problem is how can we run the city government and give OBEDIENCE TO LAW-RESPECT FOR the tex-payers a fair showing in the ex- While we have believed and stated penditure of the revenue derived from that many of the bords of the city of hem, and at the same time keep | Memphis were illegally, if not fraududown the interest on the public debt lently issued, and were purchased with and do something in favor of a sinking a knowledge of their illegality, we never fund to be applied to the principal? Opinions differ-some think that the wants of the tax-payers are entitled to decisions of the courts. Terrible as is paramount consideration. Others that the debt, such a course as this would be the public creditor has the first and last claim upon the revenue. If there is not enough for both policies, and neither can be wholly neglected, it is clear that a compromise is the only solution of the quandary. The question mar is, are we not trying to run our expeal to the higher courts, and not by the pensive government, and to manage our public debt at the maximum rate of taxation, and that not producing enough? If this is the case, we are making no headway in two important particulars. First, in the direction of extinguishing because they do not decide legal questhe debt, and second, in the matter of lowering the taxes. The position of affairs naturally causes anxiety in the

SUCCESS OF THE CAIRO AND ST. LOUIS RAILROAD-WHAT IT IS DO Our correspondent, Paul Bagley, has

minds of all good citizens. They do not

see their way clear.

written us several times in regard to this made. We are for using all legal remenarrow-gauge road, giving many inter- dies to get rid of a portion of our city esting facts with which our readers are debt, because we believe it was confamiliar. A writer from Cairo to the tracted in violation of law, but if the Lynn, Massachusetts, paper says in courts decide against us we will not asreference to this same road: I also see by the Lynn papers that

there seems to be a distrust in the minds of some as to the practicability and safety of the narrow-gauge roads, and perhaps a word in this connection would ot be out of place. The Cairo and St. Louis railroad, running from this place to St. Louis, a distance of one hundred and fifty miles, is the largest narrowgauge road in this country, if not in the ranged much more satisfactorily, and world. The gauge is three feet, and the the city might, by compromise, have road has been in successful operation for | been relieved of a considerable portion the past three years without an accident of importance. The cars and rolling stock are first-class. Engines weigh six- ginning, that is one of the principal teen tons and easily draw twenty freight cars, carrying eight tons each, over ordinary grade. The passenger coaches will seat thirty-five or forty people, are fully equal to any I have seen in the east, and are the most comfortable, except the Pullman cars, I ever rode on. I have been over the road at a rate of the legislature the responsibility of the thirty miles an hour, and considered myself as safe as if I was on the "Eastern railroad." The cost of the road was think, and will on some future occasion about two-thirds the cost of the ordinary show that the figures given by Dr. Morroad, and its success being so fully as-sured, a company is being organized to extend the "little toy rosa" (as some of its enemies call it) to Memphis and meet all the obligations of the State, including interest on the bended debt. If Vicksburg in the south, and to Eavanmah in the southeast. The total expense the repudiators would cease their efforts of our little road since it began business to destroy the credit of the State, and has been only fifty-eight per cent. of its gross earnings. We can imagine the re-sult when well established, and better to come here, the wealth of the State to come here, the wealth of the State times prevail. It has already reduced the local freights one-half, and local years that our taxes would become fares a great deal-in fact the narrowgauge roads are a success beyond all ques-In addition to these complimentary

remarks we have the testimony of William A. Wade, of the Milan Exchange, who recently went over this road both going to and coming from St. Louis, for the purpose of inspecting it. He is not only a competent but unprejudiced witness, and his statements may be implicitly relied upon for truthfulness and accuracy. We are gis! to see that a company is about to be organized to ex- condemnation upon such dectrines and four this road through Memohis to Vicksburg. A line of railway extending | Tennesses can be successful that permits from the mouth of the Ohio down the its counsels to be guided or shaped by Mississippi river, reclaiming hundreds repudiators. The Democratic party canof thousands of acres of the most fertile not and will not tolerate such men or lands in the world, and connecting New | such doctrines. Orleans, the commercial emporium of the south, with what Reavis calls the dure great city" of America, St Louis must be a national work in its grandeur and its usefulness. The Exchange says: "We enjoyed the privi- ished, lege, last week, of passing over the Cairo and St. Louis narrow-gauge railroad, are to be permitted to occupy the pilotand will tell our readers something bouse, they will most assuredly 'endanger the Vessel's cargo,' "Do you mean the Jackson Pilot? for the information after awhile. We found the cars elegantly fitted up and the bell who was shot by M'Cown on the seats consortable. The road tuns through | Dickerson plantation, as detailed in our some rough and some good country. last issue, is still living. His case is more hopeful, and his physician thinks There are some steep grades on the line, that he will recover, speed as broad-gauge trains would. An Jackson Times of the twentieth, says of eighteen-ton engine hauls one hundred and twenty-five tons of paying freight over eighty-five feet grades. The cars are about one-half weight of standard Warren, but may the good Lord deliver gauge cars, and can carry four-fifths as much. The iron used ranges from thirty to forty pounds to the yard, according to gauge cars, and can carry four-fifths as us from such leaders in Hinds county. to forty pounds to the yard, according to in the employ of Mrs. Lindsey, who | 1118 eod

weight of rolling-stock. Of course the lives on the Yazoo Pass, recently took expense of running is not so much; one of her mules, and used it so unmerneither is the cost of grading so high. to appear at corn, and fined firty dollars FEIDAY, : : : JULY 2 , 1875. We begin to believe that we would be and costs. Not being able to psy the much better off in the south if all our fine, he was sent to the "Brown hotel." roads were narrow-gauge. We do hope | Jackson Times: If high officials. the Tennessee Central company will against whom numerous indictments world. It was comparatively free from road. We believe it can soon be finish- positions of prominence, it is high time

resistance to law, and civegard of the

of the State or Federal courts, make

wrong decisions, the remedy is by ap-

city officials rejusing to obey the orders

of the courts. This would be lawless-

ness, and would be equal to the worst

spirit of mobocracy. We never de-

nounce courts as sanctioning robbery

decisions of both Federal and State

courts whenever the final decision is

them defiance. Such a course will only

make matters worse, and will aggravate

evils already bad. We do say and

virtually prohibiting the payment of our

city debt, matters might have been ar-

of her debt. As we said from the be-

In an interview with Dr. Merrow,

state treasurer, by a reporter of the

Union and American, that official gives

failure to meet the July interest. We

row prove that a tax of forty cents, if

continued a few years, will suffice to

would be so much increased in a few

very light; but the arguments which

they use to excuse repudiation drive

away from our State both capital and la-

bor. We have shown in former articles

that it was not high taxation that kept

people away, because they go to States

where taxes are much higher than they

are in Tennesses. These advocates of

repudiation have already injured the

State more than the whole amount of

the State debt, and the only way for the

people to do is to put the seal of their

the advocates of them. No party in

MISSISSIPPI NEWS.

The Jackson Times is making a determined effort to have Cardozo pun-

Jackson Times; "If indicted officials

A negro Republican, in a letter to the

bloodshed, as they have already done in

causes of our present troubles.

tered by the houest masses of the Republican party. Jackson Times: Cardozo, state super FRUIT CULTURE IN WEST TENNESSEE intendent of education, even if he be Some facts which we learned from one innocent of the charges contained in the of our correspondents in regard to the several indictments pending against sale of peaches, pears and other fruits him, indictments which were found by unate category. From good authority that were raised near Gadsden, a station a grand jury composed largely of Reon the Louisville road, seventy-six publicans and control incompelled to miles from Memphis, suggest to our take a back seat. minds the importance of making fruit-

Jackson Times: Thursday last, Samgrowing, especially the growing of uel Russell, a colored man, was shot and peaches, a specialty in West Tennessee. | killed on the Ross place, in the northern There are several places on the same part of this county, by another colored man named Jesse Campbell, who made road well adapted to that purpose. The his escape. We have been unable to hills around Gadsden bore fruit this year learn the particulars of the difficulty when it was killed in other places less which lead to the killing, but hear that fortunately situated. One man has a woman was the cause of it.

cifully that it die !. He was summoned

thirty acres in peach trees of various desire only to learn whether Cardozo is Jackson Times: "Honest Republicans kinds, including the Early Heath and worthy of their confidence and support." Crawford's Early. These peaches are As the Times also states that Cardezo is put on the cars about three o'clock in the under several indictments, he is worthy of "their confidence and support." At afternoon and reach Cincinnati or St. any rate he would tire his tongue in an-Louis the next morning by seven o'clock, swering the question asked, as there are

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